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PRIME MINISTER SADI IRMAK'S CHANCES OF BEING CONFIRMED IN OFFICE IN THE CONFIDENCE VOTE EXPECTED FRIDAY RECEIVED A SEVERE BLOW YESTERDAY WHEN FORMER PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT ANNOUNCED THAT HIS PARTY COULD NOT SUPPORT THE IRMAK GOVERNMENT. THE OUTCOME OF THE VOTE STILL NOT CERTAIN, HOWEVER, AS IRMAK COULD STILL RECEIVE THE SIMPLE MAJORITY HE NEEDS IF THOSE OPPOSED SIMPLY ABSTAIN RATHER THAN VOTE AGAINST HIM.

ECEVIT'S DECISION NOT TO SUPPORT IRMAK IN PARLIAMENT CAME AFTER HE FAILED TO GET THE OTHER PARTIES TO AGREE TO SET A DATE FOR EARLY ELECTIONS. WHETHER ECEVIT WILL MOVE TO BLOCK IRMAK OR DATE:

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ORDER HIS PARTY TO ABSTAIN IN THE CONFIDENCE VOTE DEPENDS IN LARGE PART ON THE OUTCOME OF THE LATEST ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO FORM A COALITION TO TAKE OVER IF IRMAK FAILS.

WHILE ECEVIT HAS FAILED TWICE TO BRING THE DEMOCRATS INTO A COALITION, DEMOCRATIC PARTY LEADER BOZBEYLI REPORTEDLY IS WILLING TO COMPROMISE ON THE ELECTION ISSUE AND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GOVERNMENT, IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN HIS PARTY'S ELECTORAL CHANCES. TO BRING HIS PARTY INTO A COALITION WITH ENOUGH VOTES TO PROVIDE A PARLIAMENTARY MAJORITY, HOWEVER, BOZBEYLI MUST OVERCOME THE OBJECTIONS OF A FACTION LED BY FORMER PRIME MINISTER MENDERES. SON WHO HOLDS ECEVIT'S PARTY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EXECUTION OF HIS FATHER IN 1961. E-2 IMPDET.H

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